

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Attorney Docket No. 005222.00333

In the Application of: John M. Bergstrom	)	
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Application No.: 10/021,917	)	Group Art Unit: 3623
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Filed: December 13, 2001	)	Examiner: Robertson, David
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For: Stochastic Multiple Choice Knapsack	)	Confirmation No.: 2229
Assortment Optimizer	)	
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**RESPONSE WITH RCE**

Mail Stop RCE  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir,

This paper is responsive to the Final Office Action dated August 1, 2008. The Examiner has set a three-month period for response, thus making this response due on or before November 1, 2008. Applicant hereby petitions for a two-month extension of time, up to and including January 2, 2009. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge such fee or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-0733

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 12 of this paper.